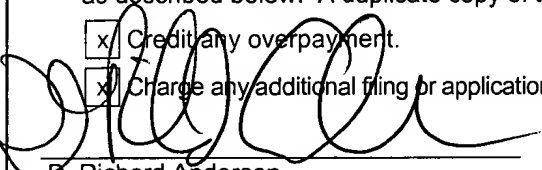
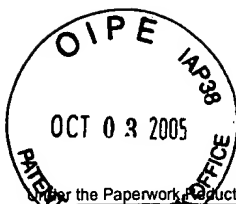




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Application No. 09/916,534-Conf. #9045		Filing Date July 30, 2001		Examiner A. K. Azad	
				Art Unit 2654	
Applicant(s): Hisashi YAJIMA et al.					
Invention: SPEECH CODING APPARATUS CAPABLE OF IMPLEMENTING ACCEPTABLE IN-CHANNEL TRANSMISSION OF NON-SPEECH SIGNALS					
MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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 D. Richard Anderson Attorney Reg. No.: 40,439				Dated: October 3, 2005	
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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 4-7, 9-14, 16-21, and 23-26 please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.